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For : CRYSTAL OF RIBOSOMAL RECYCLING FACTOR (RRF)  
PROTEIN AND APPLICATION THEREOF ON THE BASIS OF  
THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURAL DATA OBTAINED  
FROM THE CRYSTAL

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

**In the Specification**

Please add the following section as the first section of the specification following the title. A copy of the new section is provided on a separate page attached hereto.

**Related Applications**

A<sup>1</sup> This application is a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT application PCT/JP00/03639, filed June 5, 2000.

**In the Claims**✓  
Please cancel claims 25-27, 29-46, 50 and 51 without prejudice.